## ESTIMATES FOR CENSUS AND FOR CASA GRANDE RUIN.

## LETTER

FROM

# THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,

TRANSMITTING

A COPY OF A COMMUNICATION FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR, SUBMITTING ESTIMATES FOR CENSUS AND REPAIRS OF CASA GRANDE RUIN.

January 18, 1902.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

> TREASURY DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, Washington, January 17, 1902.

Sir: I have the honor to transmit herewith, for the consideration of Congress, copy of a communication from the Secretary of the Interior of the 16th instant, submitting estimates of appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, for the following

Repairs of Casa Grande Ruin, Arizona

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Respectfully,

L. J. GAGE, Secretary.

The Speaker of the House of Representatives.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR. Washington, January 16, 1902.

Sir: I have the honor to transmit herewith additional estimates of appropriation for the service of this Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, as follows:

The attention of Congress is invited to my explanatory notes attached to the estimates for each of the appropriations herein requested, and fully explain the necessity therefor.

The estimates in question are respectfully forwarded through your Department for appropriate action by Congress.

Very respectfully.

E. A. HITCHCOCK, Secretary.

The SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Estimates of appropriations required for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, by the Secretary of the Interior.

### INTERIOR DEPARTMENT.

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

Eleventh Census:

Population schedules-

For arranging and binding the population schedules of the Eleventh Census, to be expended under the supervision of the Secretary of

. \$15,000,00

Note by the Secretary of the Interior: The population and other schedules of the Eleventh (1890) Census are still unbound, and in their present condition require the greatest care in handling to prevent mutilation or loss of the various schedules. In discussing this matter in my last annual report I stated that \* \* \* the schedules in question of the Department grouped numerically by last annual report I stated that \* \* \* the schedules in question were, under the direction of the Department, grouped numerically by supervisors' and enumerators' districts, made up in packages, placed between cardboard covers, and tied up with twine. They were then piled flat in racks and remain in that condition to the present time. Subsequent experience has demonstrated the adoption of this method of Subsequent experience has demonstrated the adoption of this method of providing for the care of these population schedules in lieu of permanent binding to have been unwise. The arrangement of these schedules by districts, as above stated, conveys no idea of locality, and thus, together with the arrangement in racks, makes it practically impossible, except with great loss of time and labor, to refer to the returns from any particular place without going through the whole contents of a rack, untying and examining the sheets. It has frequently been precessary to examine and examining the sheets. It has frequently been necessary to examine from thirty to forty of these packages or portfolios in order to find a certain address, whereas if bound the possibility of mutilation or loss of family schedules would be reduced to a minimum, and the contents of each bound volume could be readily ascertained from the back title lettering thereon.

During the past year it has been necessary to handle these family schedules many times, at a great loss of time and labor, owing to their present arrangement and condition. They should be bound at the earliest possible date, and I earnestly recommend that suitable appropriation

Repairs of Casa Grande Ruin, Arizona:

To enable the Secretary of the Interior to repair and protect the ruin of Casa Grande, situate in Pinal County, near Florence, Ariz.

(act of March 2, 1889, vol. 25, p. 961, sec. 1; submitted).

Note by the Secretary of the Interior, Casa Grande Ruin, located near

Note by the Secretary of the Interior: Casa Grande Ruin, located near Florence, Ariz., is one of the noteworthy relics of a prehistoric age and people living within the limits of the United States. The land on which it is located is part of 480 acres reserved from settlement by Executive order dated June 22, 1892. At the date of discovery by one Padre Kino, in 1694, it was in a ruinous condition, and since that time has been a subject of record by explorers and historians. The structure is built of the material known as cajon; that is, puddled clay molded into walls and dried in the sun, and of perishable character. 2,200.00

This memorable ruin, the custodian, Mr. H. C. Mayo, reports, is fast falling into decay; that the walls, by reason of their age and the action of the elements, are rapidly crumbling, and that some action must be imme-

diately taken to prevent the same from entirely disappearing.

He recommends that a roof of asphalt or corrugated iron be placed over the structure, leaving an opening on the sides and overreaching the same, in order that the rain may be prevented from touching the sides; that the walls of the ruin be filled in with cement to prevent their further decay, and also that the ruins be inclosed by high barbed-wire fence in order to exclude trespassers.

These repairs he regards as necessary to the preservation of the ruin, and estimates that \$2,200 would be sufficient to cover the expense of

same.

I therefore recommend that the above sum be appropriated by Congress for the preservation of this remarkable ruin.

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